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## Honolulu BWS to Conduct Desalination Study

The City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply proposes to drill, case and test two exploratory wells on approximately half an acre of land at Kalaeloa. This project is the first phase of a study to determine whether a full-scale seawater desalination facility could be feasible.

The BWS is responsible for the management, control and operation of Oahu's municipal water system. In the 1980's, the BWS estimated that the sustainable yield of Oahu's freshwater resources would be attained by the year 2000, however, due to the closure of the water-intensive sugar industry, combined with a flat economy and successful conservation measures, the estimate has been pushed back to beyond the year 2020.

However, prudent planning means planning for uncertainty and increased reliability for public health and safety purposes. In 1983 and again in 1995, BWS has had to close major well stations when

pesticide levels rose beyond maximum contaminant levels. Development moratoriums had to be imposed in 1983 until treatment systems were built.

Recently, the Supreme Court decision on Waiahole Ditch emphasized water resource management of streams. The uncertainty of these judicial decisions on natural resource planning places a greater emphasis on developing alternative resources.

Taking advantage of new technologies in alternative water development will reduce the need for new groundwater sources and allow more efficient use of all resources by matching use with water quality. In the last few decades, desalination technologies have been used increasingly throughout the world to produce drinking water from brackish groundwater and seawater. Desalination also improves the quality of water supplies for industrial purposes and treated wastewater for recycling. See page 5.

## Genetically Modified Soy Beans in Hawaii

A notice appeared in the August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2000 Federal Register announcing an application by Monsanto to amend an experimental use permit to test genetically modified soy beans with *Bacillus thuringiensis* in Hawaii. The permit would be issued by the Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division of the EPA.

The permit amendment would allow the experimental use of the genetically engineered crop in Hawai'i and Puerto Rico. In Hawai'i three acres are involved.

There was no indication in the

Federal Register notice of where the testing would take place, when, or over what period of time. There was no information available on possible effects on non-target species or our native flora or fauna or potential for genetic drift. Lastly, there was no information presented about the long term effects on the soils where the crop was to be tested or the long term effects on people of the consumption of this crop.

For more details see the Environmental Center's letter to the Director of Health in the Letters of Notice section on page 21.

# Definitions

## Your guide to the Environmental Review Process

### Draft Environmental Assessment

A project or action that may affect the environment cannot be implemented until an Environmental Assessment (EA) is prepared in accordance with HRS §343. If the lead government agency anticipates that the project will have no significant environmental impact, then a Draft EA is written and public notice is published in this bulletin. The public has 30 days to comment on the Draft EA from the date of the first notice.

### Final Environmental Assessment and FONSI (Negative Declaration)

If, after the lead agency reviews the public comments, it feels that the project will have no significant effect on the environment, then it will prepare a Final EA and issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) formerly called a *Negative Declaration*. The Final EA must respond to all public comments. An Environmental Impact Statement will not be required and the project may now be implemented. The public has 30 days from the first notice of a FONSI in this Bulletin to sue in court to require the preparation of an EIS.

### EIS Prep Notice

If the lead agency decides that a project may have a significant environmental impact, it must prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prior to implementing the project. The first step in preparing an EIS is publishing an EIS Preparation Notice (Prep Notice) in this Bulletin. Agencies, groups or individuals have 30 days from the first publication of an EIS Prep Notice to request to become a consulted party and to make written comments regarding the environmental effects of the proposed action. The draft EIS must respond to these comments.

### Draft EIS

If a project is likely to have a significant environmental impact, the lead agency or private applicant must prepare a

Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS) prior to project implementation. This document must completely disclose the likely impacts of a project. Secondary and cumulative impacts must be discussed along with measures proposed to mitigate them. The public has 45 days from the first publication date in this Bulletin to comment on a Draft EIS.

### Final EIS

After considering public comments filed during the Draft EIS stage, the agency or applicant must prepare a Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS). The Final EIS must respond to all comments from the draft stage. If deeper analysis was required, it must be included in this document. If the project is from a private applicant, the lead agency is authorized to accept the FEIS. If the project is public, the Governor or Mayor is the accepting authority. Only after the EIS is accepted, may the project be implemented.

### EIS Acceptance Notice

If the accepting authority accepts a Final Environmental Impact Statement, a separate EIS Acceptance Notice will be published in this Bulletin. The public has 60 days from the date of first notice of acceptance to sue in court to challenge the acceptance of an EIS.

### NEPA

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is the law that requires federal projects to prepare an EIS. It is similar to Hawaii's law. Some projects require both a state and federal EIS and the public comment procedure should be coordinated. Although not required by law, the OEQC publishes NEPA notices in this Bulletin to help keep the public informed of important actions.

### Special Management Area Permits

The Special Management Area (SMA) is along the coastlines of all our islands. Most development in this area requires a Special Management Permit (SMP). The Counties regulate development

of this area. On Oahu, the County law requires an EA be prepared to accompany a permit application. This Bulletin posts notice of these SMP applications to encourage public input.

### Shoreline Certifications

State law requires that Hawaii shorelines be surveyed and certified when necessary to clearly establish the regulatory building setback (usually 40 feet inland from the shoreline). The public may participate in the process to help assure accurate regulatory boundaries. Private land owners often petition to have their shoreline certified prior to construction. This Bulletin publishes notice of both shoreline certification applications and of final certifications or rejections.

### Environmental Council

The Environmental Council is a fifteen-member citizen board appointed by the Governor to advise the State on environmental concerns. The council makes the rules that govern the Environmental Impact Statement process. The agendas of their regular meetings are published in this Bulletin and the public is invited to attend.

### Exemption Lists

Government agencies must keep a list describing the minor activities they regularly perform that are declared exempt from the environmental review process. These lists are reviewed and approved by the Environmental Council. This Bulletin will publish an agency's draft exemption list for public comment prior to Council decision making.

### Conservation District Permits

Use of land in the State Conservation District requires a Conservation District Use Application (CDUA). These applications are reviewed and approved by the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR). Members of the public may intervene in the permit process. Notice of these permit applications is published in this Bulletin.

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# Oahu Notices

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## Draft Environmental Assessments



### (1) Ala Moana Wastewater Pump Station Modification

**District:** Honolulu  
**TMK:** 2-1-15:22 and 23  
**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Design and Construction  
650 South King Street, 11th Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Carl Arakaki (523-4671)

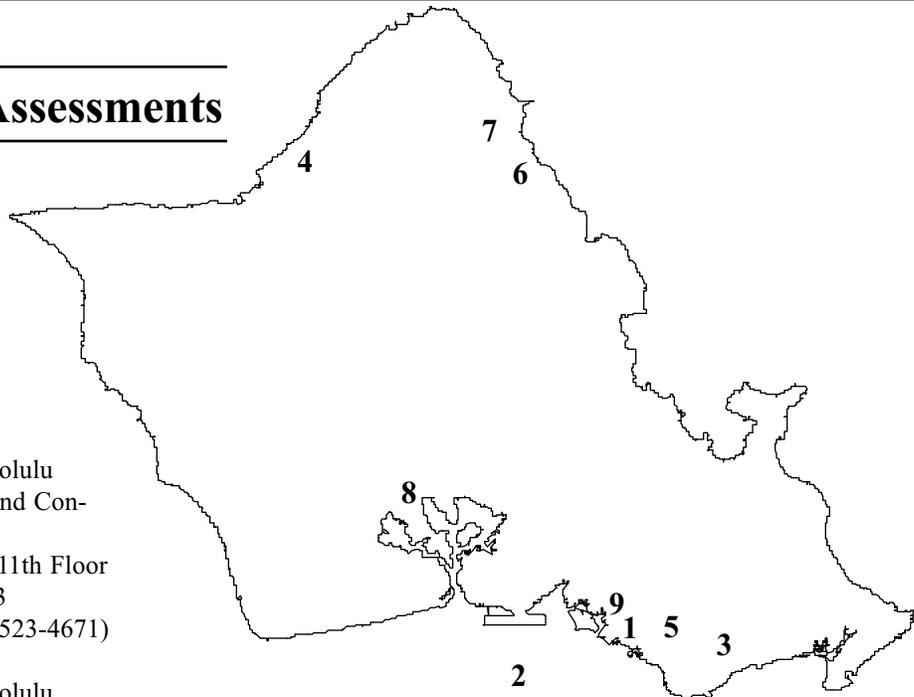
**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Planning and Permitting  
650 South King Street, 7th Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Randall Fujiki (527-5374)

**Consultant:** R.M. Towill Corporation  
420 Waiakamilo Road, Suite 411  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817  
Contact: Doug Yamamoto (842-1133)

**Public Comment Deadline:** November 22, 2000  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits Required:** NPDES, noise

The Department of Design and Construction, City and County of Honolulu, proposes to upgrade the Ala Moana Wastewater Pump Station (WWPS) to increase the pumping capacity and improve overall reliability of the facility. The Ala Moana WWPS occupies two parcels located on Keawe Street makai of Ala Moana Boulevard. The pump station serves most of eastern Honolulu. Wastewater from the service area is conveyed to the Ala Moana WWPS and pumped through two force mains to the Sand Island Wastewater Treatment Plant for treatment and disposal.



Proposed improvements include upgrading the electrical power systems, installing a new ventilation and odor control system, installing new pumps and appurtenances, expanding the motor control center room, and refurbishing the pump station building and wet well. Additionally, a new emergency generator with 10,000-gallon underground fuel storage tank will be added on site. Site improvements will also include landscaping. Construction is anticipated to begin in October 2001 and last approximately 24 months. Estimated construction costs are \$17,400,000.

Construction activities associated with the proposed project will generate short-term impacts in the form of fugitive dust, exhaust emissions, and construction noise. These impacts are temporary in nature and will be mitigated through best management practices. A new odor control system will be installed at the station to reduce the risk of odor nuisance when the pump station becomes operational. Acoustical treatments to the pump station will minimize noise levels at the property lines. Landscaping will be used to minimize adverse visual impacts on surrounding areas. No negative impacts to cultural or historic resources, water quality, or flora and fauna are anticipated from the proposed work. The project will not alter the character of the surrounding area. No zoning changes are required by the expansion of the wastewater system.



## (2) Honolulu Desalination Study

**District:** Ewa  
**TMK:** 9-1-031:028  
**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Board of Water Supply  
630 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843  
Contact: Barry Usagawa (527-5235)

### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** City and County of Honolulu  
Board of Water Supply  
630 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843  
Contact: Clifford Jamile (527-6180)

### Public Comment

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority and OEQC.

**Permits Required:** Noise, Well Construction, NPDES, Grading

The Honolulu Board of Water Supply (BWS) proposes to drill, case and test pump two (2) exploratory wells on approximately 0.5 acres of land at the northeast corner of parcel TMK: 9-1-031:028, located within the Kalaeloa Area (previously Barbers Point Naval Air Station). The proposed action includes the temporary installation of two (2) test pumps and temporary desalination technology testing equipment to collect data on productivity and water quality.

One well will be a caprock well that will have a 26-inch borehole, cased with 17.4" PVC casing and about 300 feet deep. The other well, a basal well, will have a 24-inch borehole, cased with 20-inch PVC casing and approximately 1,700 feet deep. Both wells will be drilled with a reverse circulation rotary rig. The area will be cleared to accommodate the well drilling, support equipment and necessary supplies.

A total of 3 to 5 people may be on-site to construct both wells and to collect data on productivity and water quality, which will take about six (6) months.

The estimated cost for the lower caprock exploratory well is \$200,000 and deep basal exploratory well is \$650,000.



## (3) Petrie Community Park Improvements

**District:** Honolulu  
**TMK:** 3-2-45:2  
**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Parks and Recreation  
650 South King Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Don Griffin (527-6324)

### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Same as above.  
**Consultant:** Environmental Planning Services  
1314 South King Street, Suite 951  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814  
Contact: Eugene Dashiell (593-8330)

### Public Comment

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

### Permits

**Required:** Building, grading

The Department of Parks and Recreation proposes to improve Petrie Community Park (bounded by Harding, Pahoia, 20th and 21 Avenues) in Kaimuki, Honolulu, Oahu. Work will include but not be limited to: 1) reconstruction of two existing basketball courts and one volley ball court; 2) reconstruction of two existing tennis courts; 3) construction of accessible ramps to provide walkway access to the park site; 4) installation of a new automatic irrigation system; 5) landscaping improvements; 6) sewer improvements; 7) construction of parking lots and fire lane in the abandoned portion of 20th Avenue; 8) miscellaneous and appurtenant improvements; 9) electrical and lighting system improvements; 10) potable water system improvements; 11) fencing improvements; 12) picnic tables and benches; 13) removal of certain existing trees; 14) enclosing existing recreation building with edge fencing; 15) installation of chain and post barriers; 16) construction of grade adjustment concrete and rock walls.



## (4) Sunset Beach Recreation Center

**District:** Koolauloa  
**TMK:** 5-9-07:21

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**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Dept. of Design & Construction  
650 South King Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Honolulu, HI 96813  
Contact: Carl Braun (523-4799)

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** Same as above.

**Consultant:** Group 70 International, Inc.  
925 Bethel Street, 5th Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Jeffrey Overton (523-5866 x 104)

**Public Comment**

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000

**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with  
copies to the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits**

**Required:** SMA

The new Sunset Beach Recreation Center will be located at the intersection of Kamehameha Highway and Kahae Road, approximately 23 miles northwest of Honolulu in Sunset Beach, Pupukeya, Koolau Loa, Oahu. The 1.5-acre site, a portion of the Kahawai Beach Support Park, is proposed for the development of a new community recreation center for Sunset Beach, Oahu. Development of this site will provide new facilities for community programs, activities and meetings.

Development of Sunset Beach Recreation Center will provide approximately 5,617 gross square feet (GSF) of space in a single story structure. The multi-purpose building will serve as indoor space for community programs, activities and an indoor recreation and physical education space. The building will surround a landscaped courtyard. In addition to the other uses described, the multi-purpose building will provide a 1,865 square-foot meeting room, arts and crafts facilities, administration offices, public restrooms and a kitchen area. These facilities will be available for individual and group activities by reservation. Outdoor recreational facilities, a playground, parking and driveways will be provided on the grounds.

The Sunset Beach Recreation Center will begin community programs when construction of the center is completed in 2001/2002. The Center's educational and meeting facilities will be utilized by reservations made through its administrative office. The proposed indoor facilities would, at full development, accommodate a maximum of 166 persons at a single time. Cost for full construction of the proposed facilities is estimated at approximately \$1.3 million. The project is located in the Special Management Area.

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### (5) Ala Wai Watershed Project, Manoa Valley District Park Stream Bank Improvements

**District:** Honolulu  
**TMK:** 2-9-36:03  
**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Design and Construction  
650 South King Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Gregory Sue (527-6304)

**Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** Same as above.

**Consultant:** Walters, Kimura, Motoda, Inc.  
1148 Third Avenue  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816  
Contact: Irvin Higashi (739-5591)

**Public Challenge**

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000

**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

**Permits**

**Required:** SCAP, DOA-COE, grading

The portion of Manoa Stream that forms the southeastern boundary of Manoa Valley District Park is badly eroding and contributes to the sediment load in the Ala Wai Canal. This project presents an excellent opportunity for ecological restoration of the riparian (streambank) zone. Portions of the stream bank will be cut back, removing loose sliding material. The decreased slope will provide more opportunities for passive recreational activities, as well as reducing erosion. New plantings will be chosen from native Hawaiian species that are typical of more natural riparian zones. When fully completed, the improvements will feature a picnic area with a BBQ pavilion, a small grassed amphitheater overlooking the stream, and footpaths connecting with a proposed pathway system that will encircle the entire park. This streambank improvement project is funded under the City and County of Honolulu's "21<sup>st</sup> Century Oahu: A Shared Vision for the Future" program and is also part of the greater Ala Wai Canal Watershed Improvement project.

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## (6) Hauula Community Park Multi-Purpose Building Expansion

**District:** Koolauloa  
**TMK:** 5-4-9: pors. 7 & 8; 5-4-1: por. 10; 5-4-8: por. 18  
**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Design and Construction  
650 S. King Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Wesley Obata (527-6328)  
**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Planning and Permitting  
650 South King Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Steve Tagawa (523-4817)  
**Consultant:** Wilson Okamoto & Associates, Inc.  
1907 S. Beretania, Suite 400  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826  
Contact: Laura Mau (946-2277)  
**Public Challenge**  
**Deadline:** November 22, 2000  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.  
**Permits**  
**Required:** SMA, building, grading

The City's Department of Design and Construction proposes to construct a new 1,364-square foot single story multi-purpose building at the existing Hauula Community Park (Note: The proposed building has been significantly reduced from its original proposed size of 5,200 square feet). The location of the proposed building will be adjacent to the existing multi-purpose building (previously proposed to be mauka of the basketball court). The new building will include office space and an activity area, called the Teen Center (Note: The proposed lanai, lounge/game room have been eliminated). The office space within the building will be used by City Parks and Recreation's activity coordinator and DPR staff. Additional parking will be added to the existing parking lot. The new building would be approximately 300 feet mauka of Kamehameha Highway and is not anticipated to have significant visual impacts.

Project cost remains at an estimated \$620,000 and construction is anticipated to begin in March 2001 and be completed in December 2001.

Pursuant to Chapter 25, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, the proposed improvements will require the approval of a Major Special Management Area Use (SMA) Use Permit.



## (7) Laie Beach Park Site Improvements Master Plan

**District:** Koolauloa  
**TMK:** 5-5-1: 48, 49, and 50  
**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Design and Construction  
650 South King Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Howard Koza (567-6327)  
**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Planning and Permitting  
650 South King Street, 7th Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Ardis Shaw-Kim (527-5349)  
**Consultant:** Environmental Planning  
1314 South King Street, Suite 951  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826  
Contact: Eugene Dashiell (593-8330)  
**Public Challenge**  
**Deadline:** November 22, 2000  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.  
**Permits**  
**Required:** SMA

The City and County of Honolulu, Department of Design and Construction proposes to implement the Laie Beach Park Site Improvement Master Plan. The improvements will be constructed over a period of time, in two phases. Improvements to be constructed in the initial phase include reconstruction of the existing parking lot with paving, new vehicular barriers, landscaping, irrigation, and an outdoor shower. Improvements scheduled for future phases include a comfort station, septic tank and leaching field, picnic tables, landscaping and minor erosion control features.



## (8) Mokuola Street Roadway Improvements

**District:** Ewa

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**TMK:** 9-4-02:74 (por.)  
**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Design and Construction  
650 South King Street, 11th Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Harold Sato (527-6244)

## Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Same as above.

**Consultant:** PBR Hawaii  
1001 Bishop Street  
Pacific Tower, Suite 650  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Tom Schnell (521-5631)

## Public Challenge

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000

**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

## Permits

**Required:** Grading

To improve traffic circulation within Waipahu and provide a mauka-makai route between Waipahu and Waikele, improvements are proposed to Managers Drive to connect it with Mokuola Street (TMK 9-4-02: 74 (portion)). The roadway is designed to preserve an existing row of mahogany trees along the Pearl City side of the old Managers Drive. Other mahogany trees on the Ewa side of Managers Drive will be relocated to the Pearl City side of the new roadway. The project also includes a 60-foot right-of-way incorporating two travel lanes, bikeways on both sides of the roadway, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, and landscaping.

No long-term negative potential impacts or mitigative measures are expected as a result of this project. Temporary negative impacts will occur during the construction phase and will be minimized by the use of proper mitigating measures. Long-term positive impacts expected include reduced traffic demands in the area and a contribution to the well-planned growth of the Waipahu area.

The project is part of the desired improvements for Waipahu identified by the Waipahu Vision 2000 team. The Waipahu Vision 2000 team has identified the improvements to Managers Drive as their number one priority for fiscal year 2000. The City and County of Honolulu has funded the planning, design, and construction of the project. The approximate project cost is \$1,375,000. Current plans are for construction to start in 2001.



## (9) No. 1 Capitol District Building

**District:** Honolulu  
**TMK:** 2-1-17: 1  
**Applicant:** Department of Accounting and General Services  
P.O. Box 119  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96810  
Contact: Alan Sanborn (586-0499)

## Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Same as above.

**Consultant:** Wil Chee Planning, Inc.  
1400 Rycroft Street, Suite 928  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814  
Contact: Will Chee (955-6088)

## Public Challenge

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000

**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

## Permits

**Required:** Building

The State of Hawai'i Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) proposes to acquire the fee interest of the property located at 250 South Hotel Street in Honolulu. The 2.01-acre property contains the Hemmeter Building (hereby referred to as No. 1 Capitol District Building).

The State of Hawai'i currently leases space on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> floors of the No. 1 Capitol District Building for department offices. Remaining spaces in the No. 1 Capitol District Building are occupied by the building owners (BIGI Corporation) or are vacant.

Purchase of the property containing the No. 1 Capitol District Building by the State of Hawai'i will reduce the lease log. Government offices currently located in the No. 1 Capitol District Building are expected to remain.

The proposed action to acquire the No. 1 Capitol District Building will not result in any new uses on the property except for the creation of an art gallery that will be open to the public. The second floor of the building may be renovated subsequent to its acquisition by the State of Hawai'i for the creation of an art gallery that would be managed and operated by the State Foundation for Culture and the Arts. No additional parking will be created for the proposed action due to the availability of public parking in Alii Place. No tour bus traffic will be encouraged at the No. 1 Capitol District Building.

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## Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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### Draft Environmental Impact Statements

#### West Mamala Bay Facilities Plan

**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Design and Construction  
650 South King Street, 14th Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Bill Liu or Gary Yee (523-4551)

#### **Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Planning and Permitting  
650 South King Street, 7th Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Randall Fujiki (523-4432)

#### **Public Comment**

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000

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#### Kamoku-Pukele 138-kV Transmission Line Project

**Applicant:** Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.  
P.O. Box 2750  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96840-0001  
Contact: Kerstan Wong (543-7059)

#### **Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Land Division  
1151 Punchbowl Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Sam Lemmo (587-0381)

#### **Consultant:**

CH2M Hill  
1585 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 1420  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814-4530  
Contact: Paul Luersen (943-1133)

#### **Status:**

FEIS currently being reviewed by the  
Department of Land and Natural Resources.

#### Nanakuli 242 Reservoir

**Applicant:** City and County of Honolulu  
Board of Water Supply  
630 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96843  
Contact: Barry Usagawa (527-5235)

#### **Approving Agency/Accepting**

**Authority:** Governor, State of Hawaii  
c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control  
235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

#### **Status:**

FEIS currently being reviewed by OEQC.

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## Withdrawal

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#### Pohukaina Housing Project

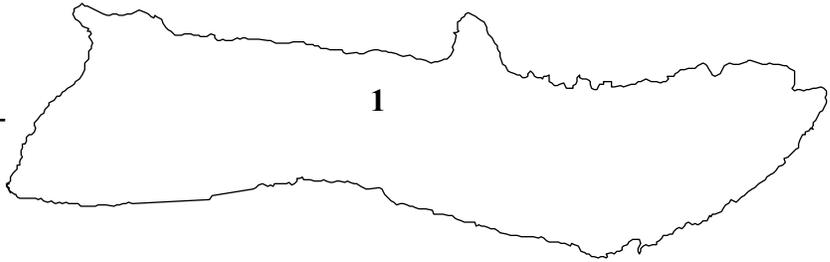
The Hawaii Community Development Authority has withdrawn the Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice (EISPN) for the Pohukaina Housing Project effective October 9, 2000. The EISPN was published in the February 8, 1994 issue of the OEQC Bulletin.



# Molokai Notices

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## Draft Environmental Assessments



### (1) Kualapuu Elementary School New Six-Classroom Building

**District:** Molokai  
**TMK:** 5-2-13:27  
**Applicant:** Department of Accounting and General Services  
1151 Punchbowl Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Mark Yamabe (586-0469)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Same as above.

**Consultant:** Wilson Okamoto & Associates, Inc.  
1907 S. Beretania Street, Suite 400  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826  
Contact: Rodney Funakoshi (946-2277)

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits Required:** Conditional Use, Special Use, Building, Grading, Work Within County Roadways

The State Department of Accounting and General Services proposes to construct a new classroom building on the campus of Kualapuu Elementary School in Kualapuu, Molokai. Uncovered accessible walkways will connect the new structure to adjacent buildings and to a new, paved, 15-stall parking area as well as the existing parking and bus loading areas. A weather shelter will be provided between the classroom building and the driveway for student pick-ups and drop-offs.

The proposed structure will be used as a general classroom building, and will accommodate six elementary school classrooms. The new structure will also provide additional rooms including an itinerant classroom, a teacher's workroom and lounge area with restrooms, a faculty storage room, boys' and girls' restrooms, a kiln room, an electrical

service room, a janitor's closet, and an outdoor uncovered performance platform for educational programs and entertainment. A Conditional Permit and a Special Use Permit are required from the County of Maui.

## Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

### Draft Environmental Assessments

#### Molokai Day Care/Senior Center (Supplemental)

**Applicant:** Hale Mahaolu  
200 Hina Avenue  
Kahului, Hawaii 96732  
Contact: Roy Katsuda (872-4100)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Department of Housing and Human Concerns  
200 South High Street  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793  
Contact: Alice Lee (270-7805)

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** November 8, 2000

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## Draft Environmental Assessments

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### (1) Hawaiian Beaches Park Multipurpose Sports Field

**District:** Puna  
**TMK:** 1-5-67:35 and 1-5-83:37  
**Applicant:** County of Hawaii  
Department of Parks and Recreation  
25 Aupuni Street, Room 210  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: Glenn Miyao (961-8313)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** Same as above.

**Public Comment**

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000  
**Status:** DEA First Notice pending public comment.  
Address comments to the applicant with a copy OEQC.

**Permits Required:** Grading

The County of Hawaii is proposing to expand recreational opportunities in the Puna District by developing a multipurpose sports field at the County's Hawaiian Beaches Park. The proposed development will utilize County lands and funds, thus requiring compliance with Chapter 343, HRS, as amended, and the EIS Rules, Title 11, Chapter 200, HAR of the Department of Health. Facilities at the community park include a softball field, basketball court, pavilion/restroom building, and parking facilities.

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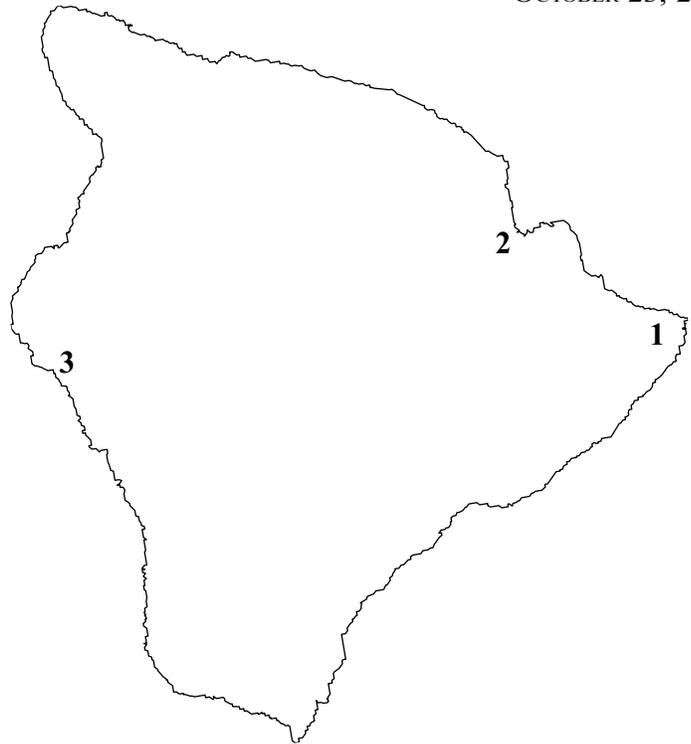
## Final Environmental Assessments (FONSI)

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### (2) Hilo Judiciary Complex – Proposed Site at Kaikoo Mall

**District:** South Hilo  
**TMK:** 2-2-15:76



**Applicant:** Department of Accounting and General Services  
1151 Punchbowl Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Tyler Fujiyama (586-0492)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority:** Same as above.

**Consultant:** Group 70 International, Inc.  
925 Bethel Street, 5th Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Jeffrey Overton (523-5866)

**Public Challenge**

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

**Permits Required:** Construction related permits

The State of Hawaii Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS), on behalf of The State Judiciary, is proposing to build a new Judiciary Complex in Hilo for the East Hawaii Service Area of the Third Judicial Circuit which comprises the entire Island of Hawaii.

The Hilo Judiciary Complex will replace the existing, inadequate facilities which are currently housed in three separate locations. According to the Judicial System Master Plan, "The existing Hilo Circuit Courthouse should be

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abandoned by the Court and replaced with a more functional facility." It is envisioned that public Capital Improvement Program (CIP) appropriations from the State Legislature will be used to fund the construction of the new Hilo Judiciary Complex.

The proposed site being evaluated in this Environmental Assessment is, at present, the Kaikoo Mall Shopping Center, 777 Kilauea Avenue, City of Hilo, Island of Hawaii. The new Hilo Judiciary Complex will consolidate current operations into one building or building complex. Plans include approximately 130,000 gross square foot facility which will provide spaces for judicial proceedings including: seven courtrooms to be allocated amongst Circuit, Family and District Courts; judge's chambers; conference rooms and public waiting rooms; Family Court Services and social worker offices; probation services; driver education; central holding cells; a law library; and administrative and support spaces. Parking spaces will be provided to accommodate public, employee and official State vehicles.



## (3) Hualalai Elderly Housing Project, Phase II

**District:** North Kona  
**TMK:** 7-5-10:por. of 7  
**Applicant:** Hawaii Island Community Development Corporation  
99 Aupuni Street, Suite 104  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: Keith Kato (969-1158)

### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Mayor, County of Hawaii  
25 Aupuni Street  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: Rex Jitchaku (961-8379)

**Consultant:** Brian Nishimura (935-7692)  
101 Aupuni Street, #217  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720

### Public Challenge

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.  
**Permits Required:** UIC, DWS approval, subdivision, OHCD plan approval

The Hawaii Island Community Development Corporation (HICDC) is proposing to develop the Hualalai Elderly Housing Project - Phase II, for low income elderly residents on approximately 4.2 acres of land in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii. The project will consist of 36 one-bedroom/one bath units with approximately 500 square feet of living area per unit. Other improvements will include extensive landscaping, 36 regular parking stalls, 4 accessible stalls, a common building with laundry facilities, open and covered patio, office and storage space.

Access to the site will be provided from Hualalai Road which is a County owned and maintained roadway. All utilities including County water is available to the site. Sewage disposal will be handled with an on-site septic system.

Construction for the proposed project is expected to begin in January, 2001, and be completed in October, 2001. The total project cost is estimated at approximately \$5.5 million.

The Great Wall of Kuakini, determined to be significant under criterion of the National Register of Historic Places and Chapter 6E of the Hawaii Revised Statutes, is present on the property. A ten meter wide buffer zone will be provided to ensure that the Great Wall of Kuakini is left intact and will not be disturbed by the project.

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## Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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### Draft Environmental Assessments

#### ► Happy Homes Subdivision Pipeline Replacement

**Applicant:** County of Hawaii  
Department of Water Supply  
25 Aupuni Street  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Contact: Owen Nishioka (961-8665)

#### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Same as above.

#### Public Comment

**Deadline:** November 8, 2000

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## ► Kamehameha Schools Waimea Preschool

**Applicant:** Department of Hawaiian Home Lands  
1099 Alakea Street, Suite 2000  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Linda Chinn (587-6432)  
and  
Kamehameha Schools  
567 South King Street, Suite 200  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Allison Yue (534-3972)

### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Department of Hawaiian Home Lands  
1099 Alakea Street, Suite 2000  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Linda Chinn (587-6432)

### Public Comment

**Deadline:** November 8, 2000

## Withdrawal

### ► Aupuni Street Closure & Civic Center Improvements

The County of Hawaii, Department of Public Works has withdrawn the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Aupuni Street Closure & Civic Center Improvements effective July 24, 2000. The draft EA was published in the June 23, 2000 issue of the OEQC's Environmental Notice.



# Kauai Notices

## Final Environmental Assessments/Findings of No Significant Impacts (FONSI)

### (1) Anahola Central Office Complex

**District:** Kawaihau  
**TMK:** 4-8-14:22  
**Applicant:** Department of Hawaiian Home Lands  
P.O. Box 1879  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96805  
Contact: Linda Chinn (587-6432)

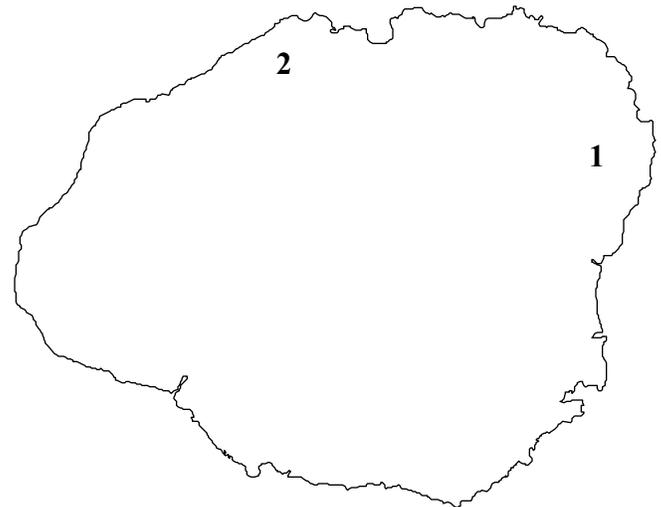
### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Same as above.

**Consultant:** PBR Hawaii  
1001 Bishop Street  
Pacific Tower, Suite 650  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Contact: Vincent Shigekuni (521-5631)

### Public Challenge

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000



**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.  
**Permits Required:** Grading/building, water, septic system

Sandwich Isles Communications, (SIC) is endeavoring to construct a fiber optic network to provide DHHL beneficiaries and lessees with cost-competitive fiber optic based services. Their proposed Anahola Central Office on Kauai, TMK 4-8-15:22, will be the host switch for Kauai and will serve as the hub for all DHHL communities on the island. For this project, a central office building of approximately 3,800 square feet is proposed on site, along with a future telecom-

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munications/microwave antennae tower, a future telecommunications complex of approximately 3,000 square feet to handle increasing customer service needs, and a future training facility for DHHL Communities on Kauai.

The proposed office building is a single-story structure with selected architectural design elements such as a hipped roof, surrounded by native landscaping. The proposed tower will be similar in height to existing towers on the adjoining property. It is not expected that this development will substantially affect any public views. No major impacts or significant mitigative measures are expected in the proposed project area.

SIC is under a statewide license to serve Hawaiian Home Lands and eventually they plan to construct a local network on each individual island. These networks will provide services such as telephone, video tele-conferencing, video on demand, educational programming, internet and other fiber optic based services.

## (2) McBeath Single Family Residence

**District:** Hanalei  
**TMK:** 5-9-02:66  
**Applicant:** Dale McBeath (415-457-3661)  
13 Quarry Road  
San Rafael, CA 94901

### Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority:** Department of Land and Natural Resources  
P.O. Box 621  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809  
Contact: Traver Carroll (587-0439)

### Public Challenge

**Deadline:** November 22, 2000  
**Status:** FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.  
**Permits Required:** CDUA, grading, building

The McBeath residence will be constructed primarily of wood with a non-reflective roof and will contain two bedrooms, two bathrooms, a living room/dining room/kitchen, a laundry room and a porch. The total developed area will not exceed 3,500 square feet (sf) within the 28,875 sf parcel. The property is located at Haena, Kauai.

To raise the residence above the regulatory flood height, it will be built on a foundation made of concrete or wood columns and will not exceed 30 feet in height. Parcel 68, jointly owned by the landowners of four abutting properties, will be cleared and graded for access to the subject property. A septic system with a leach field will be installed for wastewater disposal.

## Correction

### Papaaloa Homestead Forest Stewardship Project and Lanaihale Watershed Protection & Forest Restoration

The notices regarding the **Papaaloa Homestead Forest Stewardship Project** on the island of Hawaii and the **Lanaihale Watershed Protection & Forest Restoration Project** on the island of Lanai which were published in the October 8, 2000 issue under *Previously Published Projects* is an error. Notice of availability of these projects will be published at a later date. If you have any questions, please call Jeyan Thiruganam.

# Shoreline Notices

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## Shoreline Certification Applications

Pursuant to § 13 -222-12, HAR the following shoreline certification applications are available for inspection at the DLNR District Land Offices on Kauai, Hawaii and Maui and at Room 220, 1151 Punchbowl St., Honolulu, Oahu (Tel: 587-0414). All comments shall be submitted in writing to the State Land Surveyor, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 210, Honolulu, HI 96813 and postmarked no later than fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of the public notice of the application.

Case No.	Date Received	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
OA-577	10/05/00	Portion of Makaha Beach Park, Makaha, Waianae, Island of Oahu (84-369 Farrington Highway) Purpose: Telecommunication Lines	R. M. Towill Corporation, for City and County of Honolulu	8-4-1: portion of 012
OA-788	10/05/00	Portion of Nanakuli Beach Park Executive Order 104 at Nanakuli, Island of Oahu, Hawaii (Nanakuli Beach Park) Purpose: <u>Permit for improvements</u>	R. M. Towill Corporation, for City and County of Honolulu	8-9-6: portion of 001
OA-789	10/05/00	Portion of Pokai Bay Beach Park at Waianae-Kai, Island of Oahu, Hawaii (Pokai Bay) Purpose: Permit for improvements	R. M. Towill Corporation, for City and County of Honolulu	8-5-1: portion of 062
MA-240	10/05/00	Lot 68-B of Kamakana Beach Lots Subdivision Royal Patent 7656, Land Commission Award 8559-B, Apana 28 to William C. Lunaliilo at Kawela, Molokai, Maui, Hawaii Purpose: <u>Determine building setback</u>	Austin, Tsutsumi & Associates, Inc., for Michael and Devra Doiron	5-4-13: 002
OA-790	10/09/00	Being a portion of Land Commission Award 802 to A. Adams also being a portion of Nui Beach Lots File Plan 279 at Niu, Honolulu, Island of Oahu, Hawaii (5647 Kalaniana'ole Highway) Purpose: Determine building setback	Austin, Tsutsumi & Associates, Inc., for Obayashi Hawaii Corporation	3-7-1: 001 & 020
OA-791	10/09/00	Wai'au Power Plant at Wai'au and Waimano, Ewa, Island of Oahu, Hawaii (Wai'au Power Plant) Purpose: Permit to repair facilities	ControlPoint Surveying, Inc., for Hawaii Electric Company, Inc.	9-7-18: 002, 9-8-03: 001 and 9-8-04: 002
MA-241	10/11/00	Being a portion of Grant 3343 to Claus Spreckels situated at Spreckelsville, Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii (600 and 602 Stable Road, Paia) Purpose: <u>Subdivision approval</u>	Newcomer-Lee Surveyors, Inc., for Gregg Chrislm and Michael Ruben	3-8-02: 026 & 050
MA-242	10/13/00	Being a portion of Land Commission Award 11216, Apana 21 to Kekauonohi and Land Commission Award 6715 to Hoomanawanui situated at Palauea & Keauhou, Honuaula, Makawao, Island of Maui, Hawaii (4576 Makena Road, Kehei) Purpose: Determine building setback	Ronald M. Fukumoto Engineering, Inc., for Ian Zwicker, etal	2-1-12: 002
KA-152	10/13/00	Being a portion of allotment 24-D Moloaa Hui Lands being a portion of parcel C of Grant 10095 to Lyle A Dickey, Jr. etal at Aliomanu, Kauai, Hawaii (Vacant-Kukuna Road) Purpose: Permit to construct residence	Wagner Engineering Services, Inc., for Richard S. Hill	4-9-05: 005
MA-243	10/17/00	Being a portion of Grant 1441, Apana 4 to L.L. Torbert and a portion of Grant 1441 Apana 6 to L.L. Torbert at Mooiki and Mooloa, Honuaula, Makawoo, Maui, Hawaii (La Perouse Bay State Park) Purpose: Permit to construct comfort <u>station</u>	ControlPoint Surveying, Inc., for State of Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources	2-1-06: 027 and 030

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## Shoreline Certifications and Rejections

Pursuant to §13-222-26, HAR the following shorelines have been certified or rejected by the DLNR. A person may appeal a certification or rejection to the BLNR, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220, Honolulu, HI 96813, by requesting in writing a contested case hearing no later than twenty (20) calendar days from the date of public notice of certification or rejection.

Case No.	Cert/Rej Date	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
MA-217-2	Certified 10/11/00	Parcel 27 being a portion of Land Commission Award 11216, Apana 21 to Kekauonohi at Palauea & Keauhou, Honuaula, Makawao, Maui, Hawaii  (4572 Makena Road, Kihei)  Purpose: <u>Obtain Building Permit to construct new residence</u>	Ronald M. Fukumoto Engineering, Inc., for Mr. & Mrs. Mark Whiting	2-1-011: 027
OA-784	Certified 10/11/00	Portion of Waimanalo Beach Park as shown on State of Hawaii CSF Map 5629 Governor Executive Order 473 issued to the City and County of Honolulu, Waimanalo, Island of Oahu, Hawaii  (Waimanalo Beach Park)  Purpose: Obtain County Building Permit	Walter P. Thompson, Inc., for the City and County of Honolulu Department of Parks and Recreation	4-1-03: Por. 016
OA-783	Certified 10/11/00	Lot 347-B of Land Court Application 616, Lanikai, Kailua, Koolauopoko, Island of Oahu, Hawaii (1450-B Mokulua Drive)  Purpose: <u>Resolve seawall problem</u>	DJNS Surveying & Mapping, Inc., for John Lindelow, etal	4-3-03: 096
OA-055	Certified 10/11/00	Lot 125-C and 125-D, Land Court Application 772 as shown on map 44 situated at Laie, Island of Oahu, Hawaii (55-315C and 55-315D Kamehameha Hwy)  Purpose: Sale of Property	Sam O. Hirota, Inc., for Alfred Anthony	5-5-02: 092 & 093
MA-236	Certified 10/11/00	Being a portion of Land Commission Award 11216, Apana 21 to M. Kekauonohi, being also all of lot 45 Makena Beach Lots situated at Palauea, Honuaula, Makawao, Island of Maui, Hawaii (Vacant)  Purpose: Planning for future use of the property	Warren S. Unemori Engineering, Inc., for Stephen Luczo	2-1-11: 023
OA-775	Certified 10/11/00	Lot 7306 Land Court Application, Map 602 at Honouliuli, Ewa, Island of Oahu, Hawaii (Vacant)  Purpose: <u>Planning for future development of the property</u>	Walter P. Thompson, Inc., for Estate of James Campbell	9-1-74: 035

## Federal Consistency Reviews

The Hawaii Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program has received the following federal actions to review for consistency with the CZM objectives and policies in Chapter 205A, Hawaii Revised Statutes. This public notice is being provided in accordance with section 306(d)(14) of the National Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended. For general information about CZM federal consistency please call John Nakagawa with the Hawaii CZM Program at 587-2878. For specific information or questions about an action listed below please contact the CZM staff person identified for each action. Federally mandated deadlines require that comments be received by the date specified for each CZM consistency review and can be mailed to: David W. Blane, Director, Office of Planning, Dept. of Business, Economic Development & Tourism, P.O. Box 2359, Honolulu, Hawaii 96804. Or, fax comments to the Hawaii CZM Program at 587-2899.

### (1) Kawainui Marsh Flood Warning System, Kailua, Oahu

**Federal Action:** Direct Federal Activity

**Federal Agency:** U.S. Geological Survey  
Contact: Barry Hill, 587-2407

**Location:** Kawainui Canal at the Oneawa Street Bridge and along the flood control levee.

**TMK:** 4-2-16: 1

**CZM Contact:** John Nakagawa, 587-2899

**Proposed Action:**

Install and operate a flood warning system for the Kawainui Marsh flood control project. The system includes one water-level gage at the Oneawa Street bridge on the Kawainui Canal and two water-level gages along the flood control levee. All three gages will provide data in real time to the National Weather Service Flood Forecast office in Honolulu.

**Comments Due:** November 6, 2000

### (2) Happy Homes Water Pipeline Replacement, Keaau, Hawaii County

**Applicant:** County of Hawaii Department of Water Supply

**Federal Action:** Federal Assistance

**Federal Agency:** U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Contact: Mr. Quirino Antonio, Jr., (808) 961-8660

**Location:** Happy Homes Subdivision, Keaau, Hawaii County

**TMK:** (3rd) 1-7-17: 14, 15, 18

**CZM Contact:** John Nakagawa, 587-2899

**Proposed Action:**

Replace deteriorated and inadequate water lines with new iron water lines and fire hydrants. Federal funds of \$863,850 are being requested for the project.

**Comments Due:** November 6, 2000

## Marine and Coastal Zone Management Advisory Group (MACZMAG) Meetings

### Ocean Resources Management Plan Subcommittee

The MACZMAG Ocean Resources Management Plan Subcommittee will hold a meeting on Friday, November 3, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. in the State Office Tower, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor. For more information, please call Lea Dizol with the Hawaii CZM Program 587-2831.

### Coastal Erosion Subcommittee

The MACZMAG Subcommittee on Coastal Erosion will hold a meeting on Thursday, November 9, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in the State Office Tower, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor. For more information, please call Debra Tom with the Hawaii CZM Program 587-2840.

### Non-Government Members Subcommittee

The MACZMAG Non-Government Members Subcommittee will hold a meeting on Friday, November 17, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in the State Office Tower, Room 204. For more information, please call Susan Feeney with the Hawaii CZM Program 587-2880.

### Marine and Coastal Zone Management Advisory Group (MACZMAG)

The MACZMAG will hold its next regularly scheduled meeting on Friday, November 17, 2000 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in the State Office Tower, Room 204. For more information, please call Susan Feeney with the Hawaii CZM Program at 587-2880. MACZMAG meeting agendas and minutes are available on the Hawaii Coastal Zone Management Program web page at [www.hawaii.gov/dbedt/czm](http://www.hawaii.gov/dbedt/czm).

# Pollution Control Permits

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## Department of Health Permits

The following is a list of some pollution control permits currently being reviewed by the State Department of Health. For more information about any of the listed permits, please contact the appropriate branch or office of the Environmental Management Division at 919 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu.

Branch Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Date	Proposed Use
Clean Air Branch 586-4200 Covered Source Permit	U.S. Navy, Navy Region Hawaii CSP 0105e-01-C (Modification)	PWC PHNC, Pearl Harbor, Oahu	Issued: 9//27/00	Two (2) 12.6 MMBtu/hr Portable Boilers, Three (3) 9.5 MMBtu/hr Boilers and Five (5) 2 MW Combustion Turbines
Clean Air Branch 586-4200 Covered Source Permit	Kauai Power Partners CSP 0452-01-C	TMK: 3-8-01: Par. 1 Field 390, Lihue, Kauai	Comments Due: 11/15/00	One (1) 27 MW Combustion Turbine Generator and One (1) 600 kW Blackstart Diesel Engine Generator
Clean Air Branch 586-4200 Covered Source Permit	City and County of Honolulu, Dept. of Environmental Services CSP 0216-03-C	1350 Sand Island Parkway, Honolulu, Oahu	Comments Due: 11/8/00	Sand Island Wastewater Treatment Plant
Clean Air Branch 586-4200 Covered Source Permit	Maui Pineapple Company, Ltd. CSP 0249-05-C	120 Kane Street, Kahului, Maui	Issued: 10/9/00	Two (2) 1305 kW, Two (2) 1970 kW Diesel Engine Generating Units and Four (4) Steam Boilers
Clean Air Branch 586-4200 Covered Source Permit	Hawaii Electric Light Company CSP 0236-01-C	Shipman Generating Station, Hilo, Hawaii	Issued: 10/11/00	Three (3) Boilers
Clean Water Branch, 586-4309, NPDES Permit	Honolulu Board of Water Supply #00-CW-PW-15	Kamehameha Highway between Kaawa and Punaluu, Oahu	Comments Due: 11/15/00	Discharge hydrotesting water from the Kamehameha Highway 36-inch transmission main project to Kahana Bay, Maipuna Stream and an unnamed stream.

## Comments Sought on U.S. Participation on International Food Irradiation Meeting

The Foreign Agricultural Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (FAS) seeks public comments on U.S. participation in the 17th annual meeting of the International Consultative Group on Food Irradiation (ICGFI), November 1-3, 2000, in Geneva, Switzerland. Comments are sought on future activities (Plan of Work), U.S. level of contributions (funding), ICGFI's role, and identifying any new issues of concern that should be considered. ICGFI was established under the joint aegis of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and the World Health Organization (WHO). The public meeting date is Friday, **OCTOBER 20, 2000**, 9 A.M. to 11 A.M., Washington, DC in the back of the cafeteria, South Building. Send comments by e-mail to: [ofsts@fas.usda.gov](mailto:ofsts@fas.usda.gov) (see, 65 F.R. 59818, October 6, 2000).

## Air Emissions Control Final Rule

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has finalized a major new program to reduce emissions from on-highway heavy-duty engines and vehicles. These reductions will provide for cleaner air and greater public health protection, primarily by reducing ozone pollution. This program is the first phase of a multi-phase strategy to reduce emissions from heavy-duty engines and vehicles. A key element of this action is a reaffirmation of the technical and economic feasibility of the non-methane hydrocarbon plus nitrogen oxide (NMHC+NOX) standard promulgated in October, 1997 for diesel heavy-duty engines. This previously-codified standard will therefore remain unchanged and effective starting with the 2004 model year for heavy-duty diesel engines (see 65 F.R. 59895, October 6, 2000).

## Kailua-Kona Radio Broadcasting Service

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) requests comments on a petition filed by Nick Koster, P.O. Box 340091, Austin, TX 78734, proposing the allotment of Channel 244A at Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i, as the community's second local aural transmission service in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with no site restriction. The coordinates for Channel 244A at Kailua-Kona are 19-38-26 north latitude and 155-59-44 west longitude. Send comments before November 13, 2000 to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554 (see 65 F.R. 59163, October 4, 2000).

## Federal Property Available For the Homeless

In accordance with 24 CFR part 581 and section 501 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11411) the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has identified the following Hawai'i federal properties as suitable and available for homeless persons. **Lualualei Naval Station, Eastern Pacific in Wahiawa (one property)** (1) *Building S87, Radio Transmission Facility - Property Number 77199240011. Currently unutilized, consisting of 7,566 square feet, 1-story, and in need of rehabilitation. This property was most recently used for storage. Off-site use only.* **Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area in Wahiawa (one property)** (1) *Building 64, Radio Transmission Facility - Property Number 77199310004. Currently unutilized, consisting of 3,612 square feet, 1-story, with access restrictions and in need of rehabilitation. This property was most recently used for storage. Off-site use only.* **Naval Station, Ford Island (six properties)** (1) *Building 442 - Property Number 77199630088. Currently considered excess property, consisting of 192 square feet. This property was most recently used for storage. Off-site use only.* (2) *Building S180 - Property Number 77199640039. Currently unutilized, consisting of 3,412 square feet. This property was most recently used as a bomb shelter. Off-site use only. Relocation may not be feasible.* (3) *Building S181 - Property Number 77199640040. Currently unutilized, consisting of 4,258 square feet, 1-story. This property most recently used as bomb shelter. Off-site use only. Relocation may not be feasible.* (4) *Building 219 - Property Number 77199640041. Currently unutilized, consisting of 620 square feet. This property most recently used for damage control. Off-site use only. Relocation may not be feasible.* (5) *Building 220 - Property Number 77199640042. Currently unutilized, consisting of 620 square feet. This property most recently used for damage control. Off-site use only. Relocation may not be feasible.* (6) *Building 160 - Property Number 77199840002. Currently considered excess, consisting of 6,070 square feet. Most recently used as a storage/office space, this property needs rehabilitation as the presence of lead-based paint has been confirmed. Off-site use only.*

For more information call: Clifford Taffet, at (202) 708-1234 or call the toll-free Title V information line at 1-800-927-7588 (see, 65 F.R. 59979, October 6, 2000).

# Federal Notices

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## **Proposed NEPA Rule for Environmental Analysis of Army Actions**

The Department of the Army (DOA) wants to adopt revised policy and procedures for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) (40 C.F.R. parts 1500-1508). These guidelines replace policy and procedures found in current Army Regulation 200-2, Environmental Effects of Army Actions. This proposed rule revises policies and responsibilities for assessing the effect of Army actions (32 C.F.R. part 651). Submit comments on or before **NOVEMBER 6, 2000** to: Army Environmental Policy Institute, 101 Marietta Street, Suite 3120, Atlanta, GA 30303-2716. For more information contact: Mr. Ronald Webster at (404) 880-6707 (see, 65 F.R. 54347, September 7, 2000).

## **Proposed NEPA Rules for the Rural Housing, Business-Cooperative, and Utilities Services, and Farm Service Agency**

The Rural Housing Service (RHS) and the Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBS) jointly propose to replace their current environmental regulation with a new environmental regulation, to implement the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), to comply with the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations. Written comments on this proposed rule must be received on or before **NOVEMBER 13, 2000**. Send written comments to the Richard Gartman, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 0742, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0742. Also, comments may be submitted via the Internet by addressing them to [comments@rus.usda.gov](mailto:comments@rus.usda.gov) and must contain the word "Environmental" in the subject line. For more information call Susan Wieferich (202) 720-9647 (see, 65 F.R. 55783, September 14, 2000).

# Letters of Notice

OCTOBER 23, 2000

OEQC prints "Letters of Notice" to encourage public participation in our EIS system. Your views are welcome. We may edit letters due to limited space. The opinions presented do not necessarily reflect those of OEQC.

## Genetically Engineered Soy Beans

*The following is a letter from Jacquelin Miller, Ph.D. of the University of Hawaii Environmental Center to Dr. Bruce Anderson, Director of Health regarding Monsanto's Experimental Use of Genetically Engineered Soy Beans*

"Dear Dr. Anderson:

The Environmental Center recently reviewed a request by Monsanto Company published in the Federal Register, to amend their experimental use permit (EUP) 524-EUP-91 for *Bacillus thuringiensis* CryIAc protein and the genetic material for its production in soybeans. The requested amendment was to permit the experimental use of this genetically engineered crop in Hawaii and Puerto Rico. A copy of our review is enclosed for your information.

As you will note in our review, there appears to be a significant number of concerns regarding this proposed experimental use in Hawaii. What we found particularly disturbing is the lack of information available from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7511C) Office of Pesticide Programs. The Federal Notice listed Alan Reynolds (of EPA) as a contact person for further information. However, in response to our request for particulars as to when the testing would take place, where, and for what period of time, Mr. Reynolds said he had to wait for a meeting with his management before he could release the information. No further word was received and the review period was up on September 30th. Hence we were forced to base our review comments on inadequate information.

In discussing the proposed expansion of the present EUP with staff at OEQC and the procedures under which the public/state appear to be able to comment, we all find the procedural course of considerable concern. Chapter 321-11.6 (HRS) Genetically Modified Organisms, states specifically that:

Any applicant to any federal agency for any permit for or approval of any bioproduct, field testing of genetically modified organisms, or environmental impact assessment of genetically modified organisms shall submit one copy of that application to the department, at the same time that the application is submitted to the federal agency. [L 1988, c 160, §2]

The "department" in this case refers to the Department of Health. Was the DOH notified of this requested amendment to the existing permit to allow field testing of genetically modified organisms in Hawaii? Can you tell me what department/division/ individual would handle such a request?

It would appear that an Environmental Assessment and perhaps a full Environmental Impact Statement should be required for such a potentially significant action. Do you know if an EIA will be required by the Federal overseers?

I would appreciate your taking time to look over our review. While a few of our reviewers thought it was unlikely that there would be problem with the proposed introduction, all seemed to agree that the information on which to evaluate the proposal was significantly deficient. As such, this seems a potentially serious precedence to establish with regard to the review and decision making for genetically engineered introductions."

